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SUBJECT: AMERICAN MINE-OWNER CONCERNED ABOUT NATIONALIZATION

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1. AMCIT LEO MAHONEY CALLED AT CONGEN JANUARY 31 ALONG WITH KILROOT SALT MINE MANAGER (AND COUSIN) DAN O' MAHONY. MAHONEY EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT NEWS STORY TO EFFECT "UNIONS ARE DEMANDING NATIONALIZATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES." MR. MAHONEY SUGGESTED THAT MATTER SHOULD BE RAISED WITH BRITISH GOVERNMENT AND ASKED WHETHER HE SHOULD BEGIN ACTION AT CONGEN, THROUGH TIP O' NEILL, SENATOR KENNEDY OR PRESIDENT CARTER'S CAMPAIGN MANAGER IN NEW HAMPSHIRE.

2. ARTICLE IN QUESTION (IRISH TIMES, JANUARY 25) REFERRED TO SALT AT MINE AS "UNIQUE NATURAL RESOURCE" AND CONTINUED: "THE NORTHERN IRELAND COMMITTEE OF THE IRISH CONGRESS OF TRADE UNIONS, FOR EXAMPLE, REPRESENTING A LARGE NUMBER OF NORTHERN WORKERS, IS COMMITTED TO THE POLICY OF TRYING TO NATIONALIZE NATURAL RESOURCES."

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AND TUC AND STATED BELIEF ISSUE OF NATIONALIZATION NATURAL RESOURCES WAS NOT RPT NOT CURRENTLY A PROMINENT ONE IN NORTHERN IRELAND. MR. MAHONEY EXPRESSED SOME RELIEF AND WAS PLEASED TO RECEIVE NAME OF DEPARTMENT OFFICER IN EUR/NE (SCHALLER) FOR FUTURE REFERENCE. MR. MAHONEY APPEARED UNCONCERNED BY REFERENCE TO MINING LICENCE BEING CONTROLLED BY DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.

IT SEEMS TO CONGEN THIS POTENTIALLY MORE GERMANE TO
SITUATION AT KILROOT THAN IS NATIONALIZATION. MINE MANAGEMENT
APPEARS DETERMINED RESIST UNION BUT CONGEN DOES NOT RPT NOT
BELIEVE NORTHERN IRELAND AUTHORITIES WOULD TAKE ACTION AT
CROSS PURPOSES TO ENCOURAGING MORE AMERICAN INVESTMENT IN
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